

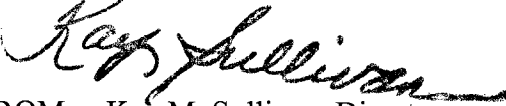


**MEMORANDUM**  
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**PSC**  
**Agenda Item No. 7(A)**  
April 20, 2004

TO: Honorable Joe A. Martinez  
and Members of the Public Safety  
Committee

DATE: **April 15, 2004**

  
FROM: Kay M. Sullivan, Director  
Clerk of the Board

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission  
Committee Minutes

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The following Clerk's Summary of Minutes are submitted by the Clerk of the Board for approval by the Public Safety Committee:

March 9, 2004

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# CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes Public Safety Committee

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Government Center  
111 N.W. 1st Street  
Miami, FL 33128

Joe A. Martinez (11), Chairperson; Betty T. Ferguson (1), Vice Chairperson;  
Commissioners Sally A. Heyman (4), Dorrin D. Rolle (2), Natacha Seijas (13), and  
Javier D. Souto (10)

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**Tuesday, March 9, 2004**

**2:00 PM**

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

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**Members Present:** Betty T. Ferguson, Sally A. Heyman, Joe A. Martinez, Dorrin D. Rolle,  
Natacha Seijas.

**Members Absent:** Javier D. Souto.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

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## INVOCATION

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## ROLL CALL

**Report:** *In addition to the members of the Committee  
present at today's meeting, the following staff  
persons were present: Assistant County Manager  
Susanne Torriente, Assistant County Attorney  
Daron Fitch, and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens  
and Jovel Shaw.*

## 1A SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1A1

**040639 Special Presentation****Joe A. Martinez**ORAL REPORT: BY MR. STAN HILLS OF THE METRO  
DADE FIRE FIGHTER'S I.A.F.F. LOCAL 1403***Presented***

**Report:** *Mr. Stan Hills, representing the Metro Dade Fire Fighters I.A.F.F. Local 1403, appeared before the Committee and noted he had intended to address the Committee regarding collective bargaining issues, but he had been told that those issues would be resolved before Friday (3/12). The problems with the UHF Radio System, which Mr. Hills noted he conveyed to commissioners previously, were also being addressed, and he noted he was hopeful that those problems would be resolved soon as well.*

*Chairperson Martinez questioned Mr. Hills' suggestion that issues pertaining to the UHF Radio System were no longer an emergency.*

*Responding to Chairperson Martinez' question, Mr. Hills clarified that the emergency with the UHF Radio System still existed; that it was an old system that did not function well and needed to be replaced. He asked that necessary steps be taken to replace this system, and he suggested more emphasis be placed on negotiating a deal.*

*Assistant County Manager Susan Torriente noted a memorandum was sent to Commissioner Martinez' office yesterday (3/8) that included timelines and other details. She pointed out that representatives from the Department of Procurement Management and the Information Technology Department were currently involved in negotiations with Motorola to resolve three outstanding issues. The issues pertaining to leases and licensing requirements that did not involve Motorola, were currently being addressed by staff, Ms. Torriente noted.*

*Concerning Chairperson Martinez' question regarding the cause for delays in concluding the negotiations with Motorola, Assistant County Manager Torriente explained that some outstanding issues still existed pertaining to liquidated damages, future pricing, change orders, and licensing and leasing requirements. These issues played a significant role in the negotiations and needed to be resolved, Ms. Torriente explained.*

Assistant County Attorney Hugo Benitez responded to Chairperson Martinez' comments regarding this proposal. He explained that as any contractor, Motorola wanted to realize its profits on the contract up front, particularly considering the substantial amount of time and effort they had spent already. Contrarily, staff wanted any profits to be realized on the back end. There were also concerns regarding who would assume responsibility for licenses, leases, zoning approvals, and other built-in factors that could result in substantial delays and costs through no fault of Motorola or Miami-Dade County. Staff was working on a formula, Mr. Benitez noted, that should provide for contingencies to offset these costs.

Assistant County Manager Torriente noted two meetings were scheduled to discuss this issue; one on Wednesday, March 10, 2004.

Assistant County Attorney Benitez noted he was scheduled to meet with Motorola on Monday, March 15, 2004.

Commissioner Martinez, as Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, asked that a progress report be submitted to PSC members on the status of the Motorola 450 MHZ/UHF Radio System negotiations before the next Commission meeting scheduled for March 16, 2004, and that the following outstanding issues be addressed:

- the change order(s) for any errors/omissions within the scope and design prepared by Motorola;
- the inclusion of a price list for equipment and replacement parts for the duration of the contract;
- the performance bond and the amount for liquidated damages.

Commissioner Seijas noted, for the record, that she regretted her vote which approved the contract for the 800 Megahertz System with Erickson approximately eight years ago. At that time, representatives from the Miami-Dade Fire and Rescue Department (MDFR) came forth and voiced concerns that the system was inadequate to protect firefighters. She questioned the options available to the County to circumvent the outstanding issues and purchase the system immediately.

Mr. Theodore Lucas, Director, Department of

Procurement Management (DPM), responded to Commissioner Seijas' questions by expounding on three outstanding issues previously mentioned by Ms. Torriente. He explained the DPM was currently working with representatives from the MDFR and ESTD technical staff to obtain the necessary frequencies, permits and leases for the infrastructure—upon which the ability to execute this contract was contingent and which made it difficult to liquidate or define the risks purely from a procurement prospective. Staff was trying to avoid unnecessary or unlimited expenses throughout the duration of this contract.

Because the design of the contract was prepared by Motorola, staff felt Motorola should assume responsibility of any costs resulting from errors or omissions within the scope of Motorola's design after construction began. They felt the County should only assume responsibility for any delays resulting from errors/omissions outside the scope of the design, Mr. Lucas explained. The second issue involved efforts to stabilize the prices for replacement parts over the life of the contract, which staff sought to accomplish by requesting that Motorola submit a pricing list based on today's prices, subject to percentages increases over time, noted Mr. Lucas. Although staff and Motorola's position regarding the amount of the performance bond and the cap on liquidated damages was quite different, he noted this issue was still negotiable.

Mr. Hills asked that individuals with authority from the County Administration meet with individuals with authority from Motorola to resolve the outstanding issues expeditiously.

Commissioner Heyman emphasized the need for users (firefighters) and representatives from the Information Technology Department (ITD) to be included in the selection process.

Assistant County Manager Torriente noted the negotiating committee consisted of representatives from the DPM, MDFR and ITD.

Following brief comments by Chairperson Martinez and Commissioner Seijas, Commissioner Rolle asked that staff provide members of the Public Safety Committee with a timeframe for the implementation of the UHF radio system.

**1B      CHAIR'S REPORT(S)**

**1C      DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**2      COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**3      COUNTY COMMISSION**

3A

## 040572 Resolution

Joe A. Martinez,

Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER  
TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN  
REGARDING THE USE OF BURGLAR BARS AND TO  
SEEK THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INSURANCE  
INCENTIVES

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Seijas*

*Seconder: Heyman*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Ferguson*

**Report:** *Following brief comments from Chairperson  
Martinez, the Committee proceeded to vote on the  
foregoing resolution, as presented.*

*Commissioner Rolle questioned how the  
department intended to educate the community on  
the use of burglar bars.*

*Mr. Charlie Danger, Director, Miami-Dade  
County Building Department, advised that staff  
would attend homeowners' association meetings  
along with representatives from Team Metro and  
others to educate the public. Booklets, pamphlets  
and other informational brochures would be  
published in multi-languages and distributed to  
the public. He also noted staff was working with  
the County Manager to air public advertisements  
on radio and television.*

*Commissioner Rolle noted he concurred with Mr.  
Danger that all avenues be pursued to educate the  
public regarding this issue. He noted members of  
the County Commission would be available to  
assist in the campaign and asked that he be listed  
as a cosponsor.*

*Mr. Danger responded to Commissioner Seijas'  
comments regarding an existing ordinance  
regarding the installation of burglar bars. He  
noted the Miami-Dade County Code specified that  
there must be two emergency exits, one from a  
door and one from a window.*

*Commissioner Martinez, as Chairperson of the  
Public Safety Committee, asked that the County  
Manager or his designee analyze closely the  
language contained within Section 1 of the  
resolution, and that staff work with Commissioner  
Rolle in an effort to launch the proposed public  
education campaign. He noted Team Metro, the  
Miami-Dade Fire and Rescue Department and the  
Miami-Dade Police Departments, and other  
County resources should be used to conduct this*

*campaign; and that appropriate language should be drafted to warn the public regarding the use of burglar bars and placed on County employees' payroll check stubs and on all bills, notices, or mailings sent out by the County. Chairperson Martinez suggested efforts be made to partner with Florida Power and Light to assist in this campaign.*

*Assistant County Manager Susanne Torriente noted staff would develop a comprehensive communication plan to coordinate and conduct this campaign in cooperation with the affected County department(s).*

3B

**040632 Ordinance****Joe A. Martinez,****Dorrin D. Rolle**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-56.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI DADE COUNTY, MODIFYING APPLICATION OF ORDINANCE TO CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Rolle*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Ferguson, Souto*

**Report:** *The following persons appeared in support of the foregoing ordinance:*

*Ms. Greenwood, representing the Miami-Dade County Police Benevolent Association;  
Mr. Charles McRay, Acting Director, Miami-Dade County Corrections and Rehabilitation Department.*

*In response to Commissioner Rolle's request to define the type of work to be performed pursuant to this proposed ordinance, Ms. Greenwood explained that this ordinance was applicable to correctional officers who work in the capacity of police or law enforcement officers who were certified by the other agencies.*

*There being no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing ordinance, as presented.*



3D SUB.

040466 Ordinance

Sen. Javier D. Souto,  
Dennis C. Moss

ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO MINIMUM MAINTENANCE STANDARDS FOR PROPERTY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; MODIFYING CHAPTER 19 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA (THE "CODE"); AMENDING SECTIONS 19-3, 19-8, 19-12, 19-13, 19-15.3, 19-15.5, 19-15.12 OF THE CODE; PROVIDING AUTHORITY FOR ENFORCEMENT BY CIVIL PENALTY; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NOS. 040099 AND 040156]

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Seijas**Second: Martinez**Vote: 5-0**Absent: Souto*

**Report:** Chairperson Martinez announced that the foregoing proposed ordinance was open for public participation, and there being no persons to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Heyman asked that discretion be exercised in the enforcement of this ordinance for first time versus repeated violations.

Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz discussed the enforcement process for violators of this ordinance.

Commissioner Seijas expressed concern that the five-day timeframe granted in the ordinance to allow individuals to clear violations was insufficient. She suggested the ordinance be amended to allow two five-day extensions.

Mr. Sam Walthour, Director, Team Metro, stated in response to Commissioner Seijas' comments, that the citizens had an opportunity to request the need for additional time if necessary. He noted the department had the discretion to afford that additional time but primarily these were items that were placed on the right-of-way. Mr. Walthour stated the open-air issue was very restrictive when it was initially proposed.

Commissioner Seijas reiterated her concern with this ordinance and indicated she would not be supportive of this item as it pertained to the open-air space.

Ms. Grisel Rodriguez, Assistant Director, Team Metro, noted the following proposed change to the ordinance pertaining to the definition of open-air

storage. She stated customary items that single-family residents store that were not defined as junk would be allowed to be stored. Ms. Rodriguez reviewed the definition of junk as items that were not usable.

Following Chairperson Martinez' comments regarding permanent basketball hoops, Ms. Rodriguez stated in order to address Chairperson Martinez' concern it would require a change in the Zoning Code and noted a meeting would have to occur with the Department of Planning and Zoning to address the setback issue.

Commissioner Heyman stated she was prepared to move the ordinance forward without recommendation. This motion died due to the lack of a second.

Commissioner Rolle stated he would move the ordinance forward with a favorable recommendation. This motion died due to the lack of a second.

Commissioner Seijas suggested deferral of the foregoing ordinance to the next Committee meeting and allow the sponsors of the item to address the concerns raised.

It was moved by Commissioner Seijas that the foregoing ordinance be deferred to the next Committee meeting scheduled for April 20, 2004. This motion was seconded by Chairperson Martinez for discussion.

In response to Chairperson Martinez' objection to the foregoing ordinance as it pertained to basketball hoops, Commissioner Ferguson suggested that the foregoing item be forwarded and staff be allowed to prepare the proposed amendment to Chapter 33 of the Zoning Code.

Commissioner Seijas noted her concern still would not be addressed and stated her concern was much broader. She further noted the Committee had never deferred the foregoing item.

Chairperson Martinez noted the deferral would be to address Commissioner Seijas' concern and his concern would require a code rewrite.

Chairperson Martinez asked staff to meet with Commissioners Souto and Moss to discuss the proposal to amend the Zoning Code as it

*pertained to the setback areas for swing sets and basketball hoops.*

*The Committee deferred the foregoing proposed ordinance for consideration at its next meeting scheduled for April 20, 2004, pending staff's review of concerns raised by Commissioner Seijas regarding the language contained within this proposal pertaining to the regulation of open-air storage on residential property; and whether the time allotted to clear violations was adequate.*

*Chairperson Martinez announced that the foregoing ordinance would be deferred to the next Committee meeting with the instruction that staff meet with the sponsors of the ordinance regarding a re-write of the Zoning Code to allow basketball hoops.*

*Commissioner Rolle asked staff to meet with him to obtain information regarding a code violation existing on a property located in Commission District 2; and that County resources be used to clear this property and the property owner(s) be billed for the cost.*

3E

**040469 Resolution****Sally A. Heyman**

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE RESIDENCY  
REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 2-11.38 AND 2-98.7 OF  
THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE FOR PUBLIC  
NUISANCE ABATEMENT BOARD MEMBER STEVE  
SESSLER

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Souto, Seijas*

**Report:** *In response to Commissioner Ferguson's comments regarding the residency requirement that members of the advisory board live in the unincorporated municipal services area (UMSA), Commissioner Heyman noted the foregoing residency requirement would be reviewed and a proposal would be submitted to provide that as long as the member was a Miami-Dade County resident.*

*Chairperson Martinez informed Commissioner Ferguson that the foregoing advisory board only reviewed UMSA issues.*

*There being no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing resolution, as presented.*

**4 DEPARTMENT**

4A

**040486 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 4-88: MEDICAL EXAMINER  
FEES FOR SERVICE (Medical Examiner)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation  
Mover: Heyman  
Seconder: Martinez  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Souto*

4B

**040489 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-204-02  
TO REFLECT THE DELETION OF THREE OF THE  
EXISTING NAMES ON FILE AND THE ADDITION OF  
TWO NEW NAMES AS AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES  
FOR THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WORK FURLOUGH  
TRUST ACCOUNT (Corrections & Rehabilitation  
Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation  
Mover: Heyman  
Seconder: Martinez  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Souto*

4C

**040527 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY  
MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING FOR FEDERAL  
FUNDS FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
JUSTICE, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE,  
AVAILABLE UNDER THE LESS-LETHAL  
TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM, FISCAL YEAR 2004, TO  
SUPPORT THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S  
LESS-LETHAL TECHNOLOGIES STUDY; AND  
AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MANAGER TO RECEIVE,  
EXPEND, AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS,  
AND NECESSARY AMENDMENTS TO THE  
APPLICATION (Miami-Dade Police Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a  
favorable recommendation  
Mover: Heyman  
Seconder: Seijas  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Souto*

4D

**033534 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 21-276 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO BURGLAR ALARMS; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY TO MUNICIPALITIES THAT RECEIVE PRIMARY POLICE PROTECTION FROM THE COUNTY, ALLOWING STAGGERED REGISTRATIONS THROUGH THE CALENDAR YEAR, REQUIRING DISCONNECT OF ALARM UPON TERMINATION OF MONITORING CONTRACT, REQUIRING TWO ADDITIONAL VERIFICATION CALLS, ADDING RESIDENTIAL OWNER AS RESPONSIBLE PARTY, AND DESCRIBING EXTENT OF INSPECTION REQUIRED FOR REMOVAL FROM NON-RESPONSE LIST, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 033312] (Miami-Dade Police Department)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Ferguson**Second: Rolle**Vote: 5-0**Absent: Souto*

**Report:** *Chairperson Martinez announced that the foregoing proposed ordinance was open for public participation.*

*The following persons appeared before the Committee and spoke in support of the foregoing ordinance:*

*Mr. Greg Gracer, Maximum Security Inc., 12108 S.W. 117 Court, Miami, Florida*

*Mr. Ronald Walter, representing the Security Industry Alarm Coalition, Director, 13173 N.W. 19 Street, Pembroke Pines, Florida*

*There being no other persons to appear before the Committee, the public hearing was closed.*

*In response to Commissioner Rolle's concern regarding the stipulation for the designation of two additional contacts before contacting the police department, Chief J.D. Patterson, Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) explained the intent for two additional contacts to reduce the number of false alarms received by MDPD.*

*Police Lieutenant Patricia Garrison, MDPD, Intergovernmental Bureau, False Alarm Enforcement Section, stated this proposed change would facilitate the administration and enforcement of the burglar alarm ordinance.*

*In response to Commissioner Seijas' suggestion that monitoring companies ask the property owner*

to list two additional contacts on the application, Assistant County Attorney Daron Fitch advised the Committee that section 21-276 (7) entitled, "Alarm Verification Calls Required" addressed Commissioner Seijas' recommendation.

Discussion ensued among members of the Committee regarding the requirement for central monitoring companies to include two additional phone contacts designated by the alarm user and the concern with MDPD contacting those additional contacts prior to police dispatch.

Assistant County Attorney Fitch advised the Committee that the language in section 21-276 (2) entitled, "Scope of Regulations," which states as follows: "...and within those municipalities that are provided primary police protection by the Miami-Dade Police Department" should be deleted.

In response to Commissioner Ferguson's inquiry regarding the impact to existing municipalities, Chief Mr. Patterson stated there was no fiscal impact to the municipalities but the County would be impacted when an interlocal agreement existed between the County and a municipality.

The Committee deferred this proposed ordinance for consideration at its next meeting scheduled for April 20, 2004, pending a revised report that would address the following concerns, as requested by Commissioner Seijas:

- \*Outline the impact on existing municipalities that had not enacted a similar ordinance and on the Unincorporated Municipal Service Area;
- \*indicate how interlocal agreements with municipalities should be structured uniformly for the distribution of revenue generated from fines; and
- \*provide further clarification regarding the intent of this ordinance.

4E

**040681 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF DORAL FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIALIZED POLICE SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THIS AGREEMENT, TAKE ANY ACTION REQUIRED OF THE COUNTY HEREIN AND EXERCISE ANY RENEWAL AND CANCELLATION PROVISIONS THEREIN (Office of Strategic Business Management)

**3-Day Rule Invoked**

**Report:** Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez, City of Doral appeared before the Committee and noted the agreement effective date would commence on April 5, 2004.

Commissioner Martinez, as Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, invoked the Three-Day Rule on this proposed resolution simultaneously with Agenda Item 4F. He asked that staff meet with each PSC Committee member to discuss and resolve his/her concerns regarding this proposal before the next Committee meeting scheduled for April 20, 2004.

4F

**040683 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF DORAL FOR THE PROVISION OF LOCAL PATROL POLICE SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, TAKE ANY ACTION REQUIRED OF THE COUNTY HEREIN AND EXERCISE ANY RENEWAL AND CANCELLATION PROVISIONS THEREIN (Office of Strategic Business Management)

**3-Day Rule Invoked**

**Report:** Chairperson Martinez invoked the Three-Day Rule on the foregoing proposed resolution.

See Note under Agenda Item 4E - Legislative File #040681.

**5 COUNTY MANAGER**

5A

**040478 Resolution**

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MANAGER'S ACTION IN APPLYING, AS CO-APPLICANT WITH THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY, FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN FUNDING UNDER THE PRESIDENT'S FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER INITIATIVE AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS AND EXECUTE SUCH CONTRACTS AND AMENDMENTS AS REQUIRED (County Manager)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconded: Seijas*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Souto*

**Report:** *In response to Commissioner Heyman's comments regarding the impact of this resolution on Article V, Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Director, Office of Strategic Business Management stated this proposal was a grant to implement a one-stop shop to provide legal services. She also noted that a part of House Bill 113A designated legal aid as a local requirement.*

*Commissioner Heyman expressed concern with the creation of a one-stop center to provide legal aid services while the County lobbyists were trying to obtain additional funding on the County's behalf to implement a legal assistance program whether it was legal aid or legal services. She questioned whether the County lobbyists' efforts in pursuing funding in Tallahassee would be impacted.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon stated these funds would be used for the facility to implement the program to provide legal services.*

*There being no objections, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing resolution, as presented.*

**6 COUNTY ATTORNEY****7 CLERK OF THE BOARD**



7A

**040636 Report**

APPROVAL OF CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR  
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE FOR FEBRUARY 10,  
2004 (Clerk of the Board)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Heyman*  
*Seconder: Martinez*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Souto*

**8 REPORTS**

8A

**040602 Report**

REPORT ON BUDGET PRIORITIES (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Rolle*  
*Seconder: Heyman*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Souto*

**Report:** *Commissioner Seijas referenced page 12 of the  
report and expressed concern with the general  
obligation bond issue pertaining to the use of the  
word "expediting".*

8B

**040641 Report**

REPORT RE: SPECIAL EVENTS AND IN-KIND  
SERVICES RESERVE FUND (County Manager)

*Not Accepted*  
*Mover: Seijas*  
*Seconded: Ferguson*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Souto*

**Report:** *In response to Commissioner Seijas' comments regarding the potential over expenditure of the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund, Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Director, Office of Strategic Business Management, noted all pending requests for in-kind support was based on the two-thirds reimbursement policy, and would over expend the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund. She further noted the County Manager's report outlined reimbursement options that would change the reimbursement method and reimburse at a lower percentage.*

*In response to Chairperson Martinez' inquiry regarding special events and in-kind services requests that were retroactive, Ms. Glazer-Moon noted the pending retroactive requests for this committee and other pending retroactive requests scheduled to be considered by the other committees. She indicated staff was preparing a substitute to this report to be presented to the County Commission at its meeting scheduled for March 16, 2004; outlining 12 events approved by the In-kind Services Committee. Ms. Glazer-Moon concluded by stating that in the next budget cycle recurring community events would be a part of the budget process.*

*Commissioner Rolle noted his previous request for a report on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade and noted his concern with the barricades being in the City of Miami limits but the boundaries located in the County had no barricades. He noted the report requested should delineate how dollars would be expended.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon stated that report requested by Commissioner Rolle would be provided before the County Commission took action on the foregoing report.*

*Discussion ensued in connection with the authority of the Special Events and In-kind Services Staff Committee who reviewed the requests.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon stated the staff committee only reviewed the requests to be forwarded to the County Commission for approval.*

*Following Commissioner Ferguson's comments regarding the approval of pending retroactive requests and whether the approval would over expend the fund, Ms. Glazer-Moon noted if the pending retroactive requests were approved, it would over expend the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund. She indicated she would review and verify that information, and make sure that it was delineated in the substitute report to be presented to the County Commission on March 16, 2004.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon informed the Committee that staff reviewed the requests to ensure that the figures included were the appropriate amounts and then reported to the County Commission on those requests that had accurate amounts. She noted the Commission then determined whether the fee waivers/in-kind services should be granted.*

*Commissioner Seijas stated she would make a motion to defer and instruct staff not to accept proposals from members of the County Commission until this issue was reviewed. She noted the County Manager should provide a memorandum outlining the status of requests approved, the impact of approving pending requests and a recommendation on how the County Commission should move forward, if the Commission should over-expend the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund.*

*Commissioner Seijas made a motion to defer the foregoing report to the next Committee meeting scheduled for April 20, 2004 with a revised report that would delineate the status of the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund, and that all pending requests be placed on hold until the County Commission decided how it would proceed with these requests.*

*Following further discussion of Commissioner Seijas' motion, Commissioner Seijas moved that the Committee not accept this report until a County Manager's Memorandum was prepared outlining the Special Events and In-kind Services requests approved and the balance of the Special Events and In-kind Services Reserve Fund. Commissioner Ferguson who offered an*

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*amendment to the motion to continue to move forward with Commission District Office Funds as long as the respective commissioner had not depleted his or her district office fund, seconded this motion.*

8C

**040651 Report**

ORAL REPORT: REGARDING THE MIAMI RIVER  
SECURITY PLAN & PORT SECURITY GRANT (County  
Manager)

**Report Received**

**Report:** Assistant County Manager Susan Torriente stated the foregoing report regarding the Miami River Security Plan and Port Security Grant was provided to the Committee in response to Chairperson Martinez' request. She noted the County had been working with the City of Miami and the other partners along the Miami River to meet a mandate by the Maritime Transportation Security Act from the United States (U.S.) Coast Guard. Ms. Torriente further noted all the partners assisted in the development of this plan that was submitted to the U.S. Coast Guard in December 2003. She pointed out the plan should be implemented by July 1, 2004. Ms. Torriente stated staff had met with the Coast Guard who were supportive of the plan and noted that the U.S. Coast Guard had four areas, which required amendments. She further stated staff was working with the Coast Guard to address those four areas along with the Miami River Group who was taking the lead role in organizing the different work groups.

In response to Chairperson Martinez' inquiry regarding the four areas of concern, Ms. Torriente stated the U.S. Coast Guard asked staff to: (1) detail a procedure for reporting transportation security incidents, (2) include a list of 24-hour contact numbers for each of the port facilities, (3) describe in detail the procedures to be taken when a vessel was at a higher security level than the facility or the port it may be visiting, and (4) explain procedures for responding to an activated vessel security alert system aboard a vessel within or near a port. Ms. Torriente concluded by stating that once those four areas were addressed the plan would be resubmitted, and the U.S. Coast Guard would then advise everyone located along the river and all partners that the plan was accepted.

Following Chairperson Martinez' comments pertaining to the shortage in MDPD police officers, Ms. Torriente stated the Coast Guard had informed staff that they were willing to work with the County in a phase-in approach as long as the County continued to communicate with U.S. Coast

*Guard. She pointed out staff would be working with the Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) during the next few months to discuss the operational cost. She noted funds would have to be identified or costs would have to shift.*

*Chairperson Martinez stated the training to become a Marine Patrol officer was not the same as a regular police officer. He noted the current problem with maintaining the attrition due to retirement, Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) and other reasons.*

*Assistant County Manager Torriente noted the department had put together a plan that would have a staff chart that included 4 sergeants and 16 officers. She pointed out the department would be working over the next four months with OSBM to discuss the plan.*

*Chairperson Martinez expressed concern with MDPD officers being utilized in new municipalities and not being replaced adequately. He noted now police officers would have to be trained for marine patrol.*

*In response to Chairperson Martinez' inquiry regarding the length of time it would take for a certified police officer to become a certified marine patrol officer, Lieutenant Carlos Castillo stated it depended upon the level of experience and the skills of the police officer that could take 3 to 4 months to become certified as a marine patrol officer.*

*Chairperson Martinez stated if an officer had no experience, it could take 4 months or longer. He noted this would affect the MDPD police district stations.*

*Lieutenant Castillo noted the department had identified needs along with the City of Miami and City of Hialeah who shared the Miami River Port.*

*In response to Chairperson Martinez' comments regarding the current funding source, Assistant County Manager Torriente stated staff was currently exploring available options such as a special taxing district or grant funding.*

**9 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.*